

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR WINE JUDGING AND AWARDING PRIZES

## 1. Article – General Provisions

The Rector of the University of Maribor appoints a coordinating committee responsible for overseeing preparations for the competition. The committee is headed by a chairman.

## 2. Article - Eligibility

The competition is open to universities and higher education institutions producing their own wine. University wine not produced by universities or higher education institutions is also eligible for entry provided it is of the same country of origin as the institution.

After entering the competition online, the completed entry form marked 'Mednarodno univerzitetno tekmovanje vin' (International University Wine Competition) must be sent to: Univerza v Mariboru, Slomškov trg 15, 2000 Maribor, Slovenija.

## 3. Article – Location

Wine judging takes place at the University Centre for Viticulture and Oenology of the Faculty of Agriculture and Life Sciences. The tasting room shall meet all necessary requirements.

## 4. Article –Wine Entries

Wine must be mature and bottled. Bottles must be marked as university wine and labelled with the official name of the university or educational institution. Each institution may participate with a maximum of 10 varieties. An entry shall consist of six bottles and contain the following information:

- vintage,
- geographical origin,
- variety,
- alcohol by volume,
- residual sugar,
- titratable acidity.

Entries must be shipped to the organizer at least five days before the start of the competition.

## 5. Article – Judging Panel

Wines are judged by a panel consisting of at least five and no more than seven qualified tasters. Each competitor may propose

one member of the judging panel. Judges must meet the following requirements:

- experts in the field of viticulture and oenology,
- experiences with wine judging.

The composition of the panel is determined by the coordinating committee, which is also responsible for appointing the chairman. The chairman comes from the host country and cannot participate in wine judging. If several applications for panel members are submitted by one country, the coordinating committee determines the composition of the panel by lot, so that each country is represented by one judge. In case of an insufficient number of applications from participating universities, the organizer appoints the panel in accordance with official rules.

## 6. Article – Categories and Judging

Wines are judged according to the international OIV 100-point system. Entries shall be divided into three categories:

- dry white wine,
- white wine with residual sugar (over 4 g/l),
- red wine,
- sparkling wine.

Wines are cooled to the ideal temperature and judged in rooms with both adequate temperature and lighting.

## 7. Article – Awards

Awards are presented to winners and runner-ups in each category. The wine with the highest number of points earns the Best of Show award provided it receives a minimum of 85 points in a division with at least five entries. All others receive certificates of participation.

## 8. Article - Final Provisions

These Instructions shall come into force after being published on the website of the University of Maribor. The entry and judging procedure in accordance with these Instructions shall apply for the 2016 competition.